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THE POTENTATES MESSAGE

To the Nobility of Aleppo Temple:

THIS being my first message to you as your Potentate, I want to express to you my sincere appreciation for your continued confidence in me. Along with this great honor are obligations and responsibilities of which I am aware. I accept these and pledge my best

efforts during the year.

Aleppo has made great progress, now being the fourth largest Temple in all the Realm which consists of some 600,000 Shriners. This has been accomplished through the co-operation of the Nobility, the Uniformed Units, the Past Potentates and the Potentate with his Divan. May we continue with unity and harmony prevailing throughout the Temple and every Noble giving of his full measure of it. I earnestly solicit this assistance.

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to announce the appointment of our Past Potentate Judge Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., as Co-ordinator of all the Uniformed Units and Committees and I know you join with me in wishing "Bob" success in this new undertaking and pledge your whole-hearted support.

Our "Ladder of Smiles" program is still growing. This represents a Life Membership in the matter of contributing to the Hospital Fund. This Life Membership may be had for \$60.00 and eliminates further Hospital assessments. It is a deductible item in the matter of income taxes. Investigate the Shriners' Hospital program — if you really knew the extent of this work you would be anxious to have your name on our "Ladder of Smiles."

Nobles, in closing, I suggest that each of you during 1949, sponsor at least one candidate for membership in Aleppo Temple which



ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATE FRANK B. ELLS

will not only enhance your membership in the organization, but will also give this eligible Mason a new lease on life through membership in our great fraternity, which is doing so much these days to offset the strain and stress of the business world.

I ask the Almighty God for strength and guidance during my term of office and may the blessings of Allah be with you and yours, always.

Yours in the Faith,

Frank B. Ella

Illustrious Potentate.

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List of additional appointments, Uniformed Units and Committees to be continued in next issue.

POTENTATE ELLS HONORED BY SIR KNIGHTS OF BOSTON COMMANDERY K. T.

THE Annual Meeting of Aleppo Temple, January 31st, was the scene of a very colorful and unusual event when members of Boston Commandery, Knights Templars, dressed in full Templar regalia, entered the meeting and surprised our newly elected Potentate, Frank B. Ells, with a Templar demonstration and presentation following his election and installation as Potentate.

The event was a spontaneous movement by the membership of Boston Commandery in which Illustrious Potentate Ells holds membership and recently served as Eminent Commander. The program was promoted and carried to a successful conclusion through the energetic efforts of Sir Knight Edward H. Casey and a committee of co-workers consisting of officers and members of Boston Commandery, the largest in membership in this jurisdiction, which includes Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

On entering the hall the Sir Knights, headed by their Commander, Noble Alfred C. Blake, formed an "Arch of Steel" on Grand Hall floor, reaching from the rear of the hall to the stage, through which Illustrious Potentate Ells was escorted by Sir Knight Casey to the stage where Deputy Grand Commander, Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., Imperial High Priest and Prophet of the Shrine of North America, and himself a Past Commander of Boston Commandery, in his own Wilsonian manner, brought the greetings of the 900 Sir Knights of Boston Commandery to their newly honored member.

Illustrious Noble Wilson advised Potentate Ells that since he had left home that morning in Waltham, a television set had been installed by the Sir Knights of Boston Commandery as a token of their appreciation of his outstanding service to the Commandery in past years. Illustrious Potentate Ells was Commander of the Commandery in 1944–1946 and is the present senior Deputy Grand Warder of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The entire program which took several weeks of preparation was a complete surprise to Illustrious Potentate Ells and brought out on a snowy night nearly 400 members of this Commandery, 200 of whom were in full Templar uniform

The Illustrious Potentate thanked the Sir Knights for their thoughtfulness and assured them of his appreciation of their gift, which he said would be a constant reminder of the many happy years he spent as a member and officer in Boston Commandery with the Sir Knights.

IS YOUR SHRINE MEMBERSHIP IN JEOPARDY?

THE following excerpt from the code of the Imperial Council is being printed, by request, for the information

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of the Nobility: Section 253 of Article XXIX, reads in part:

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"When a Temple learns in an official manner, or has reasonable cause to believe that one of its members, by reason of his non-affiliation for six months or more, is not in good standing in at least one of the prerequisite Masonic bodies. it shall notify the member so charged that he must appear before the Temple, or give evidence to the Temple, at its first stated session thereafter, and show cause why he should not be suspended. Should he fail to do so he shall be declared suspended from all his rights and benefits of membership in the Temple until he removes the cause of his suspension."

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THE SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN

By Noble N. Russell Lynn

Are you a member of the LADDER OF BABY SMILES?

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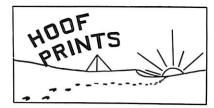
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By Noble Robert S. Fifield

THE Mounted Patrol held its Annual Meeting last February 11th at the Fox and Hounds Club and unanimously elected Cesare Vappi, Captain for the ensuing year, and Allen Peirce, Lieutenant. Captain Vappi made the following appointments: Treasurer, Walter Davidson; First Sergeant, Reginald Goldsworthy; Quartermaster Sergeant, Clarence Smith; Mess Sergeant, Walter Peirce; Stable Sergeant, Russell Baxter, and Clerk and Correspondent to ALEPPO

News, your present scribe.
Our guests were Imperial High Priest and Prophet Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., Illustrious Potentate Frank Ells. Chief Rabban N. Russell Lynn, Major of the Arab Patrol, Ben Vaughan, and Captain of the Arab Patrol, Bill Sharpe. Two of our invited guests, Illustrious Justin Duncan, Treasurer, and Recorder Harvey Leggee were not able to be with us. We are most happy, however, to know Harvey Leggee is able to be back on the job after a short visit to the hospital.

Trooper Bob Stone again has invited the members of the Mounted Patrol to be his week-end guests at his Lighthouse Inn at West Dennis, Mass. Needless to say, this offer was accepted with

The writer was a guest at the Washington Birthday reception of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company February 22 and was much impressed by the amount of brass worn by Past Captain Gerard Jones of the Mounted Patrol, who is Paymaster and Treasurer of the Ancients.

It is with sincere regret we learn of the death of the mother of Past Captain Aaron Hobart. The entire Troop extends its sympathy to Aaron.

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Cesare Vappi, newly elected Captain of the Mounted Patrol; Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., Imperial High Priest and Prophet; Benjamin R. Vaughan, Major, Arab Patrol.

Standing, Nobles of the Mounted Patrol: Walter J. Davidson, George G. Dunnells, Girard N. Jones, Walter R. Green, Edgar H. Patterson, retiring Captain, Allen W. Peirce, Aaron W. Hobart, Irving W. Ireland, and William F. Sharpe, Jr., Captain of the Arab Patrol.

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KNIGHTS TEMPLAR NEWS By Noble Frank H. Wilson

TEMPLARY is a word which suggests Knighthood, Chivalry, the Crusaders and Christian living; indeed all of these are part of its history and the principles of the Order. The time of its beginning runs back to the commencement of the Christian era, when the guardians of the Christian faith employed groups of brave and hardy retainers for the protection of innocent maidens, destitute widows, helpless orphans, and the Christian religion. Many of these retainers were brave and chivalrous knights who had developed their skill with shield, lance and buckler under the direction and patronage of the feudal lords and kings of Europe. They were a brave, adventuresome and knightly group whose code of honor became eventually the foundation of the Knights Templar oath and character.
"CODE OF A KNIGHT TEMPLAR"

To be loyal and true to the order for all time.

To promote the Order of Christian Knighthood.

To appreciate the virtues of good Templars.

To be proud to wear the uniform that bears the emblem of the Cross. To carry his share of the burdens of the

Commandery.
To pay his debts of gratitude with a spirit of good will and acts of charity. To do his best sincerely to live up to the

sublime teachings of the Order. To go forward with devotion to Him, under whose banner he has enlisted. To support equal educational oppor-

tunities for all, non-partisan, nonsectarian, efficient, democratic; for all the children of all the people.

To be truly patriotic, to love and reverence the flag of his country, to uphold law and order and unswervingly stand for and support constitutional government.

The Territorial jurisdiction of a Grand Commandery Knights Templar is the State in which it exists, except that the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island is recognized as holding jurisdiction over both of these States. This is the only Grand Commandery in the U.S.A. that has jurisdiction over more than one State. 'The Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island" which is its official title, is the oldest Grand Commandery in the U.S.A., having been organized May 6, 1805.

A Knight Templar is a Mason upon whom the Orders of Red Cross, Knight of Malta and Knight Templar have been conferred by an organization recognized by the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the U.S.A. as having authority to confer them.

The Order of Knights Templar is a uniformed order and each Knight Templar when created in a constituent Commandery possesses the uniform

prescribed by the Grand Commandery.
The Knights' Templar button is the Crusader's Cross, over the centre of which is a Crown, the whole backed by

rays of light, and enameled; - purple for Grand Encampment members; red for Grand Commandery officers; and green for other Sir Knights.

The Emblem of the order is the Cross (Red Passion) and Crown (Gold).
The Commandery of Knights Temp-

lar offers a grand opportunity to improve in every walk of life through the study and work in the progressively expanding light of pure Masonry.

It is the mightiest non-theologic

Christian Organization in the world. It stands for the noblest principles in individual life and the highest standards of good government.

It is founded and draws its inspiration from the Christian religion and the faithful practice of the Christian virtues.

As a militant Christian command it wages war unceasingly in the defense of innocent maidens, destitute widows, helpless orphans and the Christian faith.

It teaches and assists you to "let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in Heaven.

It's work presents an advance and liberal education to all mankind, designed to bring forth their finest character and works to be shared without stint with one another.

It gives you the richest of fraternal fellowship, peaceful freedom of mind, and a deep understanding of character, enabling you to live in harmony with God, and with benefit to your country.

It bases all of its teachings upon the fundamental truth, thereby adding greatly to the understanding of the symbolic understanding of the first three degrees of Masonry.

In mastering the exalted lessons of

Knights Templar you learn by taking a full active part in the beautiful work of each Order of Knighthood. Templary

has no special class for the portraval of its truth

Templary extends to you the privilege of sharing its priceless heritage from the past as defenders of the faith, and ennobles your life through participation with Sir Knights in the work of Masonry's greatest and most inspiring order - The Order of Christian Knighthood



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By Noble Charles C. Fearing

HERE we are again scratching our bald pate and trying to dig up some little thing in the way of news to fill out this column. Gosh! But it is a tough job. The only ray of sunshine is the fact that the boys keep out of the police line-up in the morning, so we don't have to bail 'em out.

Our Pal, Noble Kelley Crosskill, who writes Newsy Band Toots for the Anahgram, the monthly magazine of Anah Temple of Bangor, Maine, bewails the fact that his members don't come across with news for his column, but he has a big advantage over us, because Anah's band is in the public eye quite frequently, and its Director, Noble Heywood Jones is a composer of "note, (That's a joke son) and one of his latest is a descriptive piece entitled "A Night at the Minstrel Show". This is an interesting little number, and carried us back about sixty years when Minstrel Shows, both amateur and professional were all the rage. Of course we were somewhat younger then, and we used to be one of the End Men and play the "bones" or "clappers." We doubt if

Sears of Haverhill has one to the hospital. We could not learn what the trouble was, nor how serious. He was at band rehearsal in January. We wish him a speedy and complete recovery. Noble Sears is Director of the Haverhill Commandery band, and is also a composer of marches. He composed one recently which was tried out at the January rehearsal and proved to be a march with a good swing to it. He asked the band to name the new march, but we have not heard what the title was that was selected, or if a title has been selected.

The Fez-tive Four will appear at the dinner of the 2nd platoon this month. Also the annual dinner for the uniformed units will be held in March.

Here is a bit of pleasant news, namely That Noble Walter Leavitt has been appointed as Assistant Recorder. We believe this is the first time anyone in the band has been honored with such an important appointment. Congratulations, Walter.

The following band appointments have been made: Leader, Noble Walter Smith; Assistant Leader, Noble Frank Warren; Drum Major, Noble "Lew" Carpenter. So we are all prepared for a busy season, and raring to go! C. C. F.

By Noble J. Howard Macaulay

A T the time of preparing this column, things are not so good with the Degree Staff. Our Director, Frank Degree Staff. Watson, has been ill at home for a couple of weeks and the doctor has ordered that he stay there for at least another two weeks. "Wattie," I guess, is taking the doctor's orders, probably better than we of the Degree Staff take "Wattie's" orders sometimes, because, in bed he is reading detective stories, munching fruit, and trying to make be-lieve he doesn't like it. Mrs. Watson says he is a good patient, but she always spoke well of "Wattie" anyway. When Director "Simmie," Director of Melha Temple comes down from Springfield, we'll get the true story. It is the hope and expectation of each Degree Staff member that by the time you receive this issue, "Wattie" will be back with us in good health and ready for still another year of faithful service to Aleppo Temple.

To finish the year 1948 properly, the Degree Staff members entertained their ladies at an excellent dinner served at headquarters by our own Andy Seiler, Dean of all Caterers.

Our Guests of Honor were Potentate Frank B. Ells, together with our Recorder Harvey B. Leggee. The Potentate seemed to enjoy himself and we certainly enjoyed having him with us. By the way, Frank was at that time Acting Potentate. Now that Frank has been installed as Illustrious Potentate, may we take this opportunity to wish him a very successful administration and assure him of the wholehearted support of every Degree Staff member.

We also entertained the finest Recorder in North America, Harvey Leggee, or rather, Harvey entertained us. He told the story about the doctor at the insane hospital who was taking a couple of patients for a walk in the hospital yard. A pigeon flying overhead dropped a message on the bald spot of one of the patients and the doctor fearing that the patient would become excited said quietly to the patient, "You wait here just a second and I'll dash into the building, get a little toilet paper and fix everything." As the doctor entered the building, one patient turned to the other and said, "That doctor must be crazy, by the time he gets back with the toilet paper the pigeon will be five miles away.

The date has been set for a Ceremonial on Tuesday, May 10, 1949. We hope that Director Watson will be back with us in time to prepare his usual fine Second Section for this date.

Probably, it would be well to mention the fact that the Degree Staff had a Stag Party and buffet dinner to close the season during December.



By VAIL K. HAAK, Associate Editor

DOWN the stretch on all six. (I mean all six teams.) Quite a race — all six teams.) Quite a race—all six teams 9 points apart. Real race among the first four teams. "Ceremonial Masters," captained by K. A. Juthe (who incidentally is resting up in Florida) led the "Chief Rabbans," captained by Bill W. (the Rabbans, "captained by Bill W. (the Rabbans," captained by Bill W. (the Rabbans," captained by Bill W. (the Rabbans, "captained by Bill W. (the Rabbans," captained by Bill W. (the Rabbans, "captained by Bill W. (the Rabbans," captained by Bill W. (the Rabbans, "captained by Bill W. (the Rabbans," captained by Bill W. (the Rabbans, "captained by Bill W. (the Rabbans," captained by Bill W. (the Rabbans, "captained by Bill W. (the Rabbans, "c tained by Bill Worthington, by 1 point. "Oriental Guides" and "Assistant Rabbans" tied for third place 3 points off the top. A lot can happen in the next four weeks before the curtain is rung down on the league bowling for this

Then everybody for themselves with handicaps prevailing, while all the Nobles square off in the dog-eat-dog, ten-string total for the annual Potentate's and Recorder's Trophies.

High man in averages at the present is "The Old Master," Jim Greig. President, Jerry Jones, with 100.9 is only a step away with the "Gulliver" of the league, Don Griswold, who journeys in from Lancaster every Thursday to display his wares, pressing the 2 leaders very hard with 100.5. Anderson and your emissary are not so far behind that a very good night could put them in contention.

Veterans, Al Robbins holds high three-string with 346, with Griswold in the second slot with 344. Vern Hart, one of the rookies, has a 137 for high single and that still holds although it was menaced at one time, by Dick Halladay's 136. Next writing at the completion probably will tell a different story, but you know what they say, "A bird in the hand."

We are glad to see Harold Chase back rolling again, looks as good as ever. Expect Gene Rothmund and K. A. Juthe to breeze in from the Sunny Clime (Florida, that is,) any day now. Perce Davis has gotten adjusted again after his six weeks' vacation in the Moose Country of New Brunswick — and the Aleppo team in the Amateur Boston Pin League is trying to grab second place if they can't get first.

Final results and news of the banquet in the next edition. ******************

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